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. THIS MESSAGE TRANSMITS THE SUMMARY OF PRESS REPORTS AND COMMENTARY PREPARED EACH DAY BY U.S. MISSION BERLIN. IT INCLUDES REPORTS FROM NEWSPAPERS PUBLISHED IN WEST BERLIN AND FROM THE MAJOR EAST GERMAN NEWSPAPERS. MISSION BERLIN TRANSMITS THIS SUMMARY FOR THE SPECIAL USE OF EMBASSY BONN AND WASHINGTON AGENCIES WHO ARE REQUIRED TO FOLLOW DEVELOPMENTS IN BERLIN ON A DAILY BASIS. IT IS NOT PART OF THE DAILY MEDIA REPORT SERIES WHICH IS PRODUCED BY EMBASSY BONN FOR ALL OF WEST GERMANY, INCLUDING WEST BERLIN.

REVIEW - WEST PRESS

. WEST BERLIN DAILIES TODAY LEAD WITH PRESIDENT REAGAN'S DEMAND IN VIEW OF THE UPCOMING VENICE ECONOMICS SUMMIT THAT BONN AND TOKYO PURSUE A POLICY OF ECONOMIC GROWTH (DER TAGESSPIEGEL); WEST GERMAN CSU LEADER UNCLASSIFIED

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STRAUSS' ASKING MOSCOW FOR CLEMENCY FOR THE GERMAN AIRCRAFT PILOT WHO RECENTLY LANDED IN RED SQUARE (BERLINER MORGENPOEST); GDR LEADER HONECKER'S ANNOUNCEMENT THAT HE INTENDS TO VISIT THE FRG THIS YEAR

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(VOLKSBLATT) ; AND RIOTS ON BERLIN'S KURFUESTERNDAMM  
(BILDZEITUNG) .

OTHER PROMINENT NEWS STORIES INCLUDE THE KILLING OF A REFUGEE BY A RUMANIAN SOLDIER ON HUNGARIAN TERRITORY (DER TAGESSPIEGEL) ; AGREEMENT IN GENEVA ON AN INF DISARMAMENT DRAFT TREATY (DER TAGESSPIEGEL) ; BULGARIAN HEAD OF STATE SHIVKOV'S VISIT TO BONN WITH TALKS FOCUSSING ON DISARMAMENT (DER TAGESSPIEGEL ET AL) ; FRG PRESIDENT VON WEIZSAECKER'S CALL FOR A NEW ERA OF COOPERATION WITH THE EAST (DIE WELT) ; THE FRG GREENS DISPUTE OVER THEIR APPROACH TO VIOLENCE (VOLKSBLATT) ; AND U.S. FEDERAL RESERVE BANK CHAIRMAN VOLCKER'S RESIGNATION (VOLKSBLATT) .

## MORE NEWS IN BRIEF:

U.S. SECRETARY OF STATE SHULTZ, IN A "WOLLDNET" TV PRESS CONFERENCE LINKED TO BERLIN'S AMERICA HOUSE, YESTERDAY SAID EFFORTS IN GENERAL SHOULD FOCUS ON REMOVING THE DIVIDING LINE IN EUROPE, WHICH INCLUDES THE WALL IN BERLIN. HE SAID THE WALL IS A REALITY AND A SYMBOL OF THE DIVISION. HE underscored THAT AMERICA WOULD PREFER TO SEE BERLIN AS AN OPEN CITY WITHOUT THE WALL. AS IN THE PAST, AMERICA WILL CONTINUE TO WORK ON THAT QUESTION SO THAT THE CITY CAN LIVE A NORMAL LIFE. IN VIEW OF THE 750TH ANNIVERSARY, THE SECRETARY underscored BERLIN'S VITALITY AND STEADFASTNESS (BERLINER MORGENPOST, BILDZEITUNG FRONTPAGE, DER UNCLASSIFIED

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TAGESSPIEGEL PG 3, BZ PG 4).

GDR LEADER HONECKER IN AN INTERVIEW WITH DUTCH JOURNALISTS SAID HE SEES NO REASON FOR REMOVING THE WALL BECAUSE THE CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH HAVE LED TO BUILDING THE WALL HAVE NOT DISAPPEARED. COOPERATION BETWEEN DIFFERING SYSTEMS IS ABSOLUTELY POSSIBLE, HE SAID. HONECKER ALSO SAID IT IS "VERY LIKELY" THAT HE WILL VISIT THE FRG THIS YEAR. BONN GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN FRIEDHELM OST NOTED: "WE WILL NOT EMBARK ON SPECULATION...HONECKER WILL MAKE THE DECISION AS TO WHEN HE WANTS TO COME" (MOST PAPERS).

EAST BERLIN MAYOR (DIE WELT: "ADMINISTRATION CHIEF") KRACK IN A SPEECH BEFORE THE EAST BERLIN INTERNATIONAL

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CONFERENCE OF MAYORS REJECTED ALLEGATIONS THAT THE GDR HAS A DISTURBED RELATIONSHIP TO HISTORY. HOWEVER, HE FAILED TO MENTION THE DIVISION OF GERMANY (BERLINER MORGENPOST, DIE WELT, DER TAGESSPIEGEL).

. THE NUMBER OF GDR EXIT VISAS FOR EAST GERMAN RESIDENTS REACHED ITS LOWEST LEVEL IN MAY. ONLY 605 EAST GERMANS WERE GIVEN PERMISSION TO LEAVE (DIE WELT).

. THE BUNDESTAG GREENS PARTY HAS CANCELLED ITS DECISION TO HAVE ITS FIRST EVER MEETING IN BERLIN IN JUNE. BERLIN'S AL IN A LETTER TO THE GREENS SCOTCHED THE IDEA (BERLINER MORGENPOST).

. CHANCELLOR KOHL AND BUNDESTAG CHAIRMAN JENNINGER, THE LANDLORD OF BERLIN'S REICHSTAG, HAVE DECIDED THAT

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THE BUILDING'S ORIGINAL GLAS DOME BE REBUILT. THEY ALSO REACHED AGREEMENT THAT ARTIST CHRISTO'S REQUEST FOR "WRAPPING" THE REICHSTAG BE TURNED DOWN (DER TAGESSPIEGEL).

. A PEACEFUL DEMONSTRATION TO MARK THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DEATH OF BENNO OHNESORG DURING AN ANTI-SHAH DEMONSTRATION IN BERLIN, LED TO RIOTS ON THE KURFUESTENDAMM LAST NIGHT. SIX RIOTERS WERE ARRESTED (BILDZEITUNG, BERLINER MORGENPOST).

. THE SPOKESMAN OF BERLIN'S INTERIOR ADMINISTRATION, HANS BIRKENBEUL, HAS SAID THAT, GIVEN BERLIN'S SPECIAL STATUS, THE REQUEST THAT 1,000 POLICEMEN FROM THE FRG BE TEMPORARILY DEPLOYED TO BERLIN DURING PRESIDENT REAGAN'S VISIT TO THE CITY NEEDS ALLIED APPROVAL (DER TAGESSPIEGEL)

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TAGESSPIEGEL)

. TO MARK PRESIDENT REAGAN'S VISIT TO BERLIN ON JUNE 12, THE WEST GERMAN POSTAL SERVICE PREPARED A SPECIAL POST MARK WHICH WILL BE USED ONLY BY THE TEMPELHOF POST OFFICES AT TEMPELHOF AIRPORT AND BRANDENBURG GATE ON THE DAY OF THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT (BZ ET AL).

. PAN AM VICE PRESIDENT ROBERT L. GOULD IN NEW YORK HAS SAID THAT THE AIRLINE WILL EXTEND ITS REGIONAL SERVICE FROM BERLIN. THERE WILL BE NO COOPERATIVE VENTURES WITH OTHER AIRLINES, HE SAID (BERLINER MORGENPOST).

. RUSSIAN-AMERICAN PIANIST HOROWITZ IS BACK IN BERLIN TO WILL GIVE A PERFORM AT THE BERLIN PHILHARMONIC BUILDING ON JUNE 7 (BERLINER MORGENPOST).

. FORMER TIERGARTEN DISTRICT MAYOR QUELL, ACCUSED OF

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UNCLASSIFIEDACCEPTING BRIBES, YESTERDAY GOT A SUSPENDED SENTENCE OF  
THREE YEARS AND WAS FINED 30,000 DM (MOST PAPERS).

THE CHIEF OF THE EC PARLIAMENT'S RECENTLY FOUNDED  
PETITION COMMITTEE, RAPHAEL CHANTERIE, YESTERDAY AT  
SCHOENEBERG CITY HALL HELD A PRESS CONFERENCE WHERE HE  
UNDERSCORED THAT ALL EUROPEANS FACING PROBLEMS BECAUSE  
OF EXISTING BORDERS CAN TURN TO HIS OFFICE FOR  
ASSISTANCE (DER TAGESSPIEGEL).

REVIEW - EAST PRESS

THE TOP STORIES ARE GDR PARTY AND STATE CHIEF ERICH  
HONECKER'S RECEPTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE JAPANESE  
MEDIA ASSOCIATION AND NIPPON TELEVISION NETWORK, YOSOJI  
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KOBAYASHI FOR AN INTERVIEW ON DISARMAMENT AND EAST-WEST  
RELATIONS (NEUES DEUTSCHLAND AND MOST OTHERS); THE  
BERLIN INTERNATIONAL MAYORS' MEETING (BERLINER  
ZEITUNG); AND GDR CHIEF HONECKER'S EXPECTED ARRIVAL IN  
THE NETHERLANDS TODAY (ALL PAPERS).

THE DAILIES FRONTPAGE DUTCH PRESS REPORTS  
UNDERLINING THE NETHERLANDS' INTEREST IN EXPANDED  
COOPERATION WITH THE GDR (NEUES DEUTSCHLAND AND MOST  
OTHERS); U.S.-SOVIET AGREEMENT IN GENEVA ON A DRAFT  
TREATY TO ELIMINATE INF'S IN EUROPE (NEUE ZEIT ET AL);  
GDR FOREIGN MINISTER OSKAR FISCHER'S EXPLANATION TO THE  
VIENNA CSCE FOLLOW-UP MEETING ON THE RESULTS OF THE  
RECENT WARSAW PACT SUMMIT IN (EAST) BERLIN (NEUE ZEIT);  
THE MOSCOW 40TH CONFERENCE OF THE GDR-USSR GOVERNMENT  
PARITY COMMISSION FOR ECONOMIC AND TECHNO-SCIENTIFIC  
COOPERATION (NEUE ZEIT); SED POLITBURO MEMBER WERNER  
FELFE'S WARSAW TALK WITH POLISH LEADER WOJCIECH  
JARUZELSKI (MOST PAPERS); AND (EAST) BERLIN MAYOR  
ERHARD KRACK'S OPENING OF THE EXHIBIT "GREETINGS AND  
CONGRATULATIONS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD," WHICH FEATURES  
GIFTS FROM 125 COUNTRIES ON BERLIN'S 750TH ANNIVERSARY  
(BERLINER ZEITUNG).

NEWS BRIEFS:

IN HIS TALK WITH JOURNALISTS FROM THREE DUTCH  
NEWSPAPERS AND THE ANP NEWS AGENCY, GDR LEADER HONECKER  
SAID THAT HE MAY PAY HIS FIRST VISIT TO THE FRG THIS  
YEAR. HE ADDED: "CHANCELLOR KOHL AND I AGREED TO SET A

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DATE WHEN THE TIME IS FAVORABLE. WE ARE IN CONTACT  
ABOUT THIS. BUT A VISIT MUST MAKE SENSE, WHICH WOULD BE

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THE CASE ESPECIALLY IF SOMETHING COULD BE ACHIEVED IN  
THE AREA OF PEACE." HONECKER REJECTED CALLS FOR GERMAN  
REUNIFICATION CITING CHANCELLOR KOHL'S VIEW ON  
UNIFICATION BASED ON THE FRG SOCIAL SYSTEM. THE  
"ALGEMEEN DAGBLAD" REPORTS HONECKER AS SAYING THAT A  
REMOVAL OF THE WALL IS NOT POSSIBLE AT THE MOMENT, BUT  
UNDER DIFFERENT CONDITIONS EVERYTHING IS THINKABLE.

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HONECKER ADDS THAT THE MORE TRADE EXPANDS THE MORE EAST GERMANS WILL BE ABLE TO TRAVEL TO THE WEST. "IT HAS BECOME A QUESTION OF FOREIGN CURRENCY," HE SAYS (ALL PAPERS EXTENSIVE COVERAGE).

ON THE SECOND DAY OF HIS VISIT TO THE FRG STATE OF SAARLAND, SED POLITBURO MEMBER JOACHIM HERRMANN SIGNED THE GOLDEN BOOK OF SAARBRUECKEN, WHICH RECENTLY BECAME THE SISTER CITY OF COTTBUS, GDR. MAYOR HELMUT MUELLER SAID THE FACT THAT THE LORD MAYOR OF SAARBRUECKEN IS ATTENDING THE INTERNATIONAL MAYORS' MEETING IN BERLIN

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PROVES THAT ONE CAN OVERCOME MUCH THAT DIVIDES. HERRMANN ALSO VISITED SAARLOUIS, THE FIRST GDR SISTER CITY IN THE FRG (MOST PAPERS).

IN RECOGNITION OF HIS SERVICES IN DEVELOPING GDR-JAPANESE RELATIONS, DRESDEN SED CHIEF HANS MODROW, CHAIRMAN OF THE GDR-JAPANESE PARLIAMENTARY FRIENDSHIP GROUP, ON TUESDAY WAS PRESENTED WITH THE MEDAL OF THE HOLY TREASURE, AN AWARD FROM JAPANESE EMPEROR HIROHITO (NEUES DEUTSCHLAND, BERLINER ZEITUNG).

COMMENTARY - WEST PRESS

PRESIDENT REAGAN ON THE GULF

THE INDEPENDENT-CONSERVATIVE BERLINER MORGENPOST'S DIETRICH W. SCHULTZ REVIEWS PRESIDENT'S SPEECH MARKING THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARSHALL PLAN. SCHULTZ OBSERVES: "PRESIDENT REAGAN IS DETERMINED TO MAKE THE DEFENSE OF THE GULF ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT POINTS ON THE VENICE SUMMIT AGENDA....DISARMAMENT WILL NOT PLAY A MAJOR PART AT THE MEETING..."

TABLOID BZ IN A PAGE-TWO COMMENTARY SAYS: "WE WANT TO HAVE IT WARM AND COZY AT HOME, AND HEATING FUEL SHOULD NOT BE EXPENSIVE -- WE LET THE U.S. TAKE CARE OF THE REST.

"WE OWE IT ONLY TO THE U.S. THAT THE OIL FROM THE MIDDLE EAST IS STILL FLOWING. AMERICA STANDS GUARD AT THE GULF TO PREVENT IRAQ AND IRAN FROM THEIR OWN STUPIDITY.

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"HOWEVER, STANDING GUARD IS VERY EXPENSIVE. THE U.S. JUST RECENTLY HAD TO PAY DEARLY: THE ATTACK ON FRIGATE 'STARK' EXACTED A HEAVY SACRIFICE.

"NOTHING CAN BE MORE APPROPRIATE THAN THE U.S. DEMAND THAT THE EUROPEANS CONTRIBUTE FINANCIALLY AND MILITARILY TO THE PROTECTION OF THE OIL SHIPPING.

"HOWEVER, EUROPE IS RATHER DEAF IN THAT EAR -- AMERICA CAN SEE TO IT THAT WE EUROPEANS HAVE IT WARM AT HOME AND THAT OIL REMAINS CHEAP. ISN'T IT POSSIBLE THAT THE AMERICANS MIGHT SOME DAY GROW DEAF AND NOT LISTEN WHEN EUROPE CRIES FOR HELP?"

## THE VENICE AND EC SUMMIT MEETINGS

THE INDEPENDENT DER TAGESSPIEGEL IN A FRONTPAGE COMMENTARY SAYS: "WASHINGTON DEMANDS THAT ESPECIALLY JAPAN AND THE FRG MAKE GREAT EFFORTS TO STIMULATE THEIR ECONOMIES TO PREVENT RECESSION, FOLLOWING THE RECENT FIVE-YEAR PERIOD OF ECONOMIC GROWTH. IT WOULD BE A HUGE SUCCESS IF ONE COULD SAY AFTER THE VENICE MEETING THAT THE COURSE TOWARD REMOVING IMBALANCE HAD BEEN SET IN SUCH A WAY THAT BOTH THE INDUSTRIALIZED AND THE DEVELOPING NATIONS COULD CAPITALIZE ON IT. HOWEVER, SKEPTICISM IS CALLED FOR SO LONG AS NATIONALISM AND EGOTISM ARE THE DETERMINING FACTORS.

"THE SAME IS TRUE FOR THE EC SUMMIT MEETING IN BRUSSELS AT THE END OF THE MONTH. THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY RESEMBLES AN ETERNAL CONSTRUCTION SITE.

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A FATAL FLAW: THE RESPONSIBLE POLITICIANS SIMPLY REFUSE  
TO ACCEPT THAT THE GREAT ECONOMIC PROBLEMS CAN BE  
RESOLVED ONLY THROUGH COOPERATION AND CERTAINLY NOT AT  
THE EXPENSE OF OTHERS." KORNBLOM

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